

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

**ABSTRACT**

A nonaqueous pressure-sensitive adhesive for use in a medicinal tape preparation for percutaneous absorption having comprising (a) a support, (b) a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer containing a drug and a nonaqueous pressure-sensitive adhesive and (c) a release film ~~laminated in that order~~, and a medicinal tape preparation for percutaneous absorption, which employs comprising the adhesive. The ~~nonaqueous pressure-sensitive adhesive may comprises~~ a copolymer obtained by copolymerization of a (meth)acrylic monomer having an acetoacetyl group ~~in the molecule and one or more monomers from among other~~ (meth)acrylic monomers without acetoacetyl groups and copolymerizable vinyl monomers, in a nonaqueous solvent. ~~Suitable (meth)acrylic monomers having an acetoacetyl group in the molecule are acetoacetoxymethyl methacrylates, and especially 2-acetoacetoxymethyl methacrylate.~~ The copolymer nonaqueous pressure-sensitive adhesive ~~of the invention, comprising a (meth)acrylic monomer having an acetoacetyl group as a constituent monomer, is capable of containing large amounts of lipophilic~~ can contain oily substances in the pressure-sensitive adhesive layer, and during heat drying, the acetoacetyl groups undergo self-crosslinking to form a network structure ~~as the solvent evaporates off, so that large amounts of oily substances such as the plasticizer can be included in the network structure.~~ The pressure-sensitive adhesive of the invention uses

~~no polyamine derivatives, isocyanate compounds, polyvalent metal chelate compounds, etc. as crosslinking agents, and therefore toxicity is not a concern and skin is not irritated.~~

~~A-The medicinal tape preparation for percutaneous absorption of the invention has superior adhesive strength and cohesive strength, and is highly safe with low skin irritation, and. It also has excellent drug release and percutaneous absorption properties.~~